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1. In response to applicant's telephonic contact on July 16, 2002 regarding the last Office action, the following corrective action is taken.

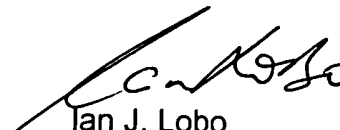
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WO 96/03919.

2. The period for reply of 2 MONTHS set in said Office Action is restarted to begin with the mailing date of this letter. See MPEP 710.06.
3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ian J. Lobo whose telephone number is (703) 306-4161. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon - Fri, 6:30 - 3:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Thomas Tarcza can be reached on (703) 306-4171. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (703) 872-9326 for regular communications and (703) 872-9327 for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-1113.


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